RATE CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON

Counsel for State and Railroads May Agree on Settlement Out of Court,

BUSINESS PEOPLE EXPECT IT

'Dog Fall" Decision by Supreme Court Still Leaves Question of Appeal in Doubt.

State and the railroads decline to discuss the probability of any comprogation in view of the "dog fall" decision by the United States Supreme Court, it was stated on high authority yesterday that a conference between attornoys will be held in Washington this week, when the matter will probfactorlly without further resort to the

At the moment the one point Ir concerns the right of appeal,

Taxable Values Increase.

The figures are drawn as of December of the Values Increase of the Will Be Discussed with the National Chairman of the Will Be Discussed with the Na

be charged the elect which made railroad people cry for mercy.

Best for All to Compromise.

The barren victory won by the State of Virginia over the roads and the barren victory won by the roads over the State, paradoxical as that may sound and seem, has encouraged the idea that it would be best for all concerned to reach a compromise, especially when it is believed that it can be done without the surrender of principle, decently and in order, When the conference as contemplated, is held this ofference as contemplated, is held this or eight months ago, and as neither side was shout over the Supreme Court depends on t

MARSHAL AND CHIEF DEPUTY



THAN EVER BEFORE

Financial Condition of City Shows Taxable Value Increase of 50 Per Cent. Over 1898,

CARRIES NO FLOATING DEBT

Excess of Assets Over Liabilities Nearly \$6,000,000-City

Under instructions of the Council Committee on Finance, a statement will be published to-day by City Accountant George S. Crenshaw, showing that the financial condition of the cty of Richmond is the best in its history. The report, which contains much statistical information of value, certified to by Chairman H. R. Pollard, Jr., of the Finance Committee, will be really printed for general dis-Under instructions of the Council

State Corpora-	
tion Commis-	
sion \$ 2,506.953	\$ 9,589,195
Marshall 3,514,054	584,450
Jefferson 5,343,191	3,853,781
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Monroe 7.326/511	3,069,444
Clay 7,855,885	1,689,542
Henry 6.884,324	2,490,570
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GIVEN UP FOR DEAD, HUSBAND COMES BACK ON GREAT SPREE

Wife Refuses to Secure Divorce, and Will Give Him Another Chance to Get Sober and Begin---Tells Hard Story of Struggle and Suffering.

NABLE to endure longer the torments of a drunken husband, a first little woman, who has for to place, and who has more than once been fed and cared for by the Associated Charitles, will now seek the assistance of Probation Officer Portiaux to keep the father of her five young children from visiting her humble home on North Fifth Street.

The story of the family, as told by

home on North Fifth Street.

The story of the family, as told by Dr. Buchanan, who time and again has secured work for the man in an effort to make him care for his dutiful wife, is a ead one. For five years the woman has suffered untold agonies, but has turned a deaf ear to those who advised that she give up her husband and seek single-handed to care for herself and offspring.

The family ten years agon is self to

Months ago the man disappeared. The Months ago the man disappeared. The woman and children were given a home with the wife's mother. The husband was believed to be dead, but last week he showed up again, located his family, and while drunk went to the house and demanded the custody of his little ones. His visit was several times repeated, and each time he was refused entrance. and seek single-handed to care for herself to by Chairman H. R. Policity, of the Finance Committee sif and offspring.

The family, ten years ago, is said to have owned and occupied a residence in Richmond city bonds, or have other reasons for desiring to study the assets and liabilities of the city.

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IMPORT WINE FOR CAN'T SELL LIQUOR EDUCATED TASTE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

"Verily," says Collector of Customs Stewart, for the port of Richmond, "this will be a merry Christmas."
Richmond is a great wine market, and within the past few weeks wholessale dealers have received thousands of gallons of imported champagne, and, not only this, but large supplies of sherry, port and other varieties, have passed through the hands of Uncle Sam's agents here.

The supply this year is greater than ever before, and the demand, according to the collector, must be the reason for the increase. In some instances, gingle consignments have contained 500 gallons of the finest product of France or Spain. Numerous smaller shipments have been received.

The reason for the increased orders and demand for imported wines is not satisfied with anything but the very beat."

Deputy Collector W. Gay Smith, taster and tester of the wine received.

"No person or club, will any file and to the street in the courts have allowed no latitude in enforcing its regulations. Section 19 of that voluminous document which contains special clauses to the street, and, contrary to past custom, the great punch bowl will stand empty on Christmas Day. Christmas eve feasts, including the land club, will have to keep carry of a the courts have allowed no latitude in enforcing its regulations.

Section 19 of that voluminous document which contains special clauses and devery kind of drink, from home-made sweet cider to ship rum, sayes:

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what they cannot use themselves over to other smaller firms.

"Imported wines are better than the American made," says one who knows a thing or two about such things.

"And there is all the difference in the world between the fermented juice of grapes raised abroad, and that produced in this country. I don't mean to cast any disparagement on the American product, however, because it ican product, however, because it ican product, however, because it don't mean to on Christmas, many bars in the business section voluntarily closed at midden, to allow employes a half holiday, comes in mighty well sometimes. And, comes in mighty well sometimes. And, too, it's all fit to drink."

FRANK GOULD HERE

Stops Over with Mr. Anderson on His Way to Hunting Preserves.

Mr. Frank Jay Gould, of New York, arrived in the city yesterday afternoon and is stopping at the Jefferson Hotel as the guest of Mr. Henry W. Anderson. Mr. Gould's trip is entirely for recreation. He will leave here early this morning for his game preserve in Chesterfield county, on the Appointance River, where he will spend several days hunting.

TINSLEY BROUGHT BACK

The West End Christian Church ex-sets to remove on December 27th to-s new church building at Allen and anover Avenues. This church de-ded on yesterday to change the name om West End to Allen Avenue Chris-an Church, by which it will be known creafter.

JAMES RIVER TO

Rivers and Harbors Congress Makes Great Stride for Waterway Development.

VIRGINIANS AT CONGRESS

Form Separate Organization to Present Claims of Navigable Streams Here.

Just home from attending the sessions of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress held in Washington last week, Business Manager W. T. Dabney,

EDUCATED TASTE

ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Thousands of Gallons of Good
Stuff Received at Port of
Richmond.

"Verily," says Collector of Customs

Taste

UAN SELL LIQUID

Ways in need of Improvement will receive a share in proportion to magnitude and importance. The project of the Lankes to the Gulf deep waterway is the largest enterprise in view, but in the event that the money is raised it will be distributed equitably, and James River will get its share. By this method the congress expects to eventually improve all the navigable streams in the country.

According to Mr. Dabney, the Virginia delegation was strongly in evidence, and placed its claims in such a manner as to make a deep impression.

Thanks to the far-famed and much-

From this State there were in attend-

From this State there were in attendance ninety-six men, all selected for their knowledge of the question.

New Virginia Association.

For better work in Virginia, the delegation formed itself into a permanent organization. This subsidiary branch of the congress will work in conjunction with the main body to induce the national Congress to make the appropriation, besides arousing in-Christmas eve feasts, including the annual 500 gallons of the finest produst of France or Spain. Numerous smaller shipments have been received.

The reason for the increased orders and demand for imported wines is not given, unless, as Mr. Stewart says, "the people have educated tastes, and are not satisfied with anything but the very best."

Deputy Collector W. Gay Smith, Laster and tester of the wine received, attests its quality, and in his own phrasecology, "It's good stuff." The imported liquors received are always consigned to wholesalers, who distribute it to their own retail trade, and turn what they cannot use themselves over to other smaller firms.

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national organization Mr. Dobie and to the board of Directors John C. Freeman, of this city. The last position is one of importance, inasmuch as the board of directors operates all the business of the congress. Members of the board are not selected according to the States they represent, but because of the individual qualifications of the men to carry out the policies of the organization.

Going Home To-Morrow are visiting Mr. R. C. Garnett at the county courthouse, will return to their home. Fort Mitchell, Lunenburg county, to-morrow morning.

TWO INQUIRIES WORK IN HARMONY GOING ON AT ONCE WITH CHARITIES Suspected Footpand Stoutly Deales His Guilt. Marry Tinsley, one of the negroes suspected of being implicated in all the field-ups that have occurred in the city and on the suburbs, was brought back from Suffolk last night by two men from headquarters. Tinsley answers to the description that has been given or him, though he stoutly deales his guilt. GOINGON AT ONCE WITH CHARITIES Settling Basin Flume Will Be Conference Between Department of Outdoor Poor and Other Organizations.

cree, so far as actual results court, the inwyers are quietly at work on a plan which will end the trouble and titiga-	111.	character as to warrant the magistrate sending them to the grand jury. Real estate in the sending them to the grand jury.	by Exempts. River, where he will spend several building, days hunting.	TWO INQUIRIES	IMURK IN HARMONY
tion. The nature of this plan will not	HAVE HALF-HOUR HOLIDAY	hills," and wishing to do all they could ing and grounds, \$	State Capitol build- 1,650,000; city build- 1, works and saves	COLSIO ON ST ONO	ANDLIN HA HVIHAIDIAI
be divulged, although it is said on high authority that it will be proof.	girls will have a recess of half an hour	have embraced every opportunity for \$12,549,575, Church	Gullt.	· HIINKIIN AT IINK	WITH CHARITIES
cally the same as that adopted in	of the day are taken up. The various	details whenever they got a change to rice county prope	erty, \$60,000; Rich- Marry Tinsley, one of the negroes sus	ODIMO OIA VI DIAOT	- MAILL OHVILLIFO
generally, who realize that vicious at-	to the Seventieth Regiment Armory, for	details whenever they got a chance to talk. It turns out now according to two men who heard the plotting, that Young, who is said to have been the viscosity of the county properties.	ont of State interest, and on the suburbs, was brought bac	Settling Page Plan Will D	
useful campaign clap-trap, are watch-	to the ten youngsters who played on the football team this fall. High School	two men who heard the plotting that \$150,000; education Young, who is said to have been the than public school ringleader, had once before overpow.	from Suffolk last night by two me from headquarters. Tinsley answers t	Main Topic at City Hall	Conference Between Department of Outdoor Poor and Other
degree of interest, at the same time	won the interscholastic prep school championship of the city, and the team	roung, who is said to have been the than public school engred a failer in Chesterfield county and made his escape. The men declare population is fixed	wealth of the white at \$1.721.11, and of guilt.		Organizations.
roads and the Commonwealth will end.	the school.	told them that it would be easy it.	GOOD HEALTH PREVAILS	Two separate and distinct flum	
DDIDGE DHETE AC	INANT CINICEDE FOR	worked right. Howell says he was selected to hold the jailer because of his FLEEING N	EGRO SHOT	inquiries will be conducted in adjoin	past week have served to simplify
BRIDGE RUSTS AS	WAN I JIN BENJEUR 📗	size and the fact that it would prob- ably be easier for him to get into the Lewis Shields Brot	ght Down by Officer Playment Accounting to the mouth	ing to fix the blame for the fallur	greatly the work of city relief for the outdoor poor, or charity cases not taken to the Almshouse, in which
TIME PACE DV	CHADAMARI CHOIDE	In an attempt to	organa from Dollar provement over the engreenending	a land tatale, in an elioit to devise som	e hereafter the outy officials will work
I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	CHAPMAN CHOIRS	rest him for ass	o was trying to armond of last year, according to builetin to be issued by the City Boar of Health this week. White exact	now idle for the need of a connect	- Charities, making use of the records
		Richmond Physicians to Read Papers by the officer early at St. Louis This Week.	yesterday morning, figures are not yet obtainable, it is brough and penetry, known that the number of deaths from	The inquiry into past matters wil	of that association, and avoiding as
Unsafe Condition of River Struc-	Call Issued for Two Thousand				
ture Again Arouses Protest of Citizens.	Volunteer Voices-Plans	S. Horsley, C. M. Hazen and Lewis C. Shields surrendere Bosher left yesterday for St. Louis the Second Police where they will attend the sessions of the Southern Surgical Association, which meets in that city on December which meets in that city on December.	Station. His wound of contagious diseases, have been less ention, and he was during the past two months than the lost the ambulage average in Richmond. In fact, during	witness, copies of the records of the	ranged was held at the office of Mr.
\$2,000 million 1 february (1, 10 february 2, 20 feb	of Campaign.	which meets in that city on December corps, and carried the listh and 17th. Dr. McGuire will pital, where he is	to the City Hos- s under guard, been remarkably little sickness of an		
Although Engineer Isases reported to a joint committee of the Councils from Manchester and Richmond on October	Two thousand singers are wanted for the various choirs in connection	15th. 16th and 17th. Dr. McGuire will pital, where he is read a paper on The Necessity of a The negro was we secondary Operation for the Removal Street. The two s of the Appendix, Treated by Simple Street. The two s Incision and Drainage in Case of An. threw a lamp at the	anted for assaulting No. 996 West Broad employment.	t vestigating committee. Stenographe	Lecky and Mr. R. A. Lancaster, Jr.,
	with the Chapman evangelistic cam-	of the Appendix, Treated by Simple Street. The two s Incision and Drainage in Case of Ap- bendicessional Absess" Dr. Horsey about the	e woman, cutting her come the usual pheumonia weather	take the testimony of the various with	The details of the arrangement, which
months and that stone should at once	paign, to open early in January. In	pendicessional Abscess." Dr. Horsley about the head will likewise read a paper before the convention.	and face. Krenkle and the increase of sickness which the and went to arrest raw dampness of midwinter always	e nesses, the committee having broad	economy, as well as enabling the or-
be taken for replacing the structure, nothing has been done by either city, nor has the joint committee since had	the music at the City Auditorium, there will be volunteer choirs for the five		brings.	of papers and to take into considers	of people, will be perfected and re-
time that he fully	mass meeting of those interested in			tion all matters relating to the plan award of contract, and the construc- tion both of the basin and the flume.	
port filed by several engineers to the	yesterday afternoon at the Young	Statement of City's	Assets and Liabilities	Supply Missing Link.	was a final meeting of the subcommit- tee on rules for the government of the
at any time come upon the bridge, it was positively unsafe and should be	R. E. Magill presided. An address out-	December	Ist, 1908	mittee on Water, meeting in regula	Reade is chairman, A partful report
replaced.	Rev Thomas Semmes general chair-		131, 1700	ongineers as to the disposition of the	committee, recommending the entire
of the condition of the bridge, Mt.	called for volunteers for the choirs	ASSETS.		inend to the Council some plan for hringing clear water from the basin t	pital. The final draft of the revised
There should not be say deler months.	choirs and other singers willing to	Almshouses, juit and hos- nital \$ 305,427 00	LIABILITIES, 4 % Bonds, coupon	bne mile, which has already caused	the full committee at its next meeting.
is danger from freshet and there is danger from the general condition of		City Hall furniture and fix-	4 % Bonds, registered 6,623,575 00	delay of two years. Superintendent E. D. Davis, of th	MR. MACLACHLAN PRESIDENT
the bridge, which has outlived the usual period for structures of this character."	Secretary S. K. McKee, of the com- mittee on personal work, outlined the	tures 50,000 00 Cemeteries: Oakwood, River- view, Shockoe 71,000 00	5 % Bonds, registered 843,550 00	further tests of the flume. He is not	
Notwithstanding this report on the	plans of this division. He was followed by the Rev. E. L. Grace, who spoke	Engineer and Health De-	6 % Bonds, registered, 192,000 00	be available for use, every section a	Elects Officers for the Year. The annual meeting of the Christian
communication between the two cities.	on "Co-operation." Rev. W. Asbury Christian spoke of	Fire and Police Depart- ments, buildings and	8 % Bonds, registered 182,000 00 8 % Bonds, coupon 2,000 00	withstand the strain placed upon to	Sunday School Association of Richmond
action of the Manchester authorities in regard to appointing a committee	the duty of the individual toward mak-	Parks and small squares.	3½% Bonds, Water Works . 405,000 00	on. City Attorney Poliard will b	d Church, a targe representation of offi-
to confer with Richmond as to consol-	Mr. E. C. Chapman, a brother of the evangelist and the business manager		Baby bonds due and not	the city's interests, especially with	t tering present.
to confer with Richmond as to consol- idation of the two cities. The special committee on repairing or replacing the Free Bridge has not been called.	of the campaign, will pass through Richmond Wednesday morning, and	equipment	presented	against the Crouse Construction Com	H. D. C. Maclachlan: Vice-President
	9 A. M. Ministers and active workers	Markets' 202.050 00	Pairmount town	I than \$50,000 already paid for a flum	o T. W. Duke; Secretary, John C. Neale; o Treasurer, Alfred Blake; Auditor, Gon; S. Creushay, Reporter J. J. IIII.
Mary Gentry, a white woman, was	are invited to meet him at that time, when plans for the campaign will be	000,000	\$8,775,058 50	which is apparently so faulty in con- struction that it is useless from en-	These officers, together with three
ing a \$20 gold piece from B. C. McGee William Proctor, colored, was arrest-	Many cottage prayer meetings in preparation for the coming of the	Slaking fund— Investments held by com-	Unpaid interest and redemption fund not called for to date by Commissioners of	A subcommittee from the joint Com	The role forbidding the sekery se
Ing Mary Burrow.	evangelists will be held at different points in Richmond to-morrow night.	Cash held by commis-	Staking Fund	most this afternoon at 5 o'clock to con	which the bi-monthly meetings are in he held from competing for the attend-
	The executive committee has opened permanent headquarters at the Y. M.	missioners 74704 Co	Excess of assets over liabilities 5,902,725 78		be held from competing for the attendance banner was abolished. This association is composed of six schools with an euroiment of 143 offi-
	C. A. Building, where all business re-	Total assets	Total liabilities	City Electrician and Special Engineer	cers and teneduce and tites scholars.
ing \$3.50 from the Cohen Company.	be transacted.]		Trafford have been summoned to at	Cowardia Avenue achbol, January 5,
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